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In re Application of:	
Richard G. HALPERN	) Group Art Unit: 3628
Application No.: 09/977,224	Examiner: POINVIL, Frantzy
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For: AUTOMATED METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR PROGRAMMED PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF PRINCIPAL WITH ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT TO FUTURE INTEREST RATES	
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